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The Seawolves defeated Vermont 65-48 on Friday in a fight for first place. With the victory, the Seawolves picked up a game and a half in the standings. Senior Marcus Rouse led all scorers with 16 points in the win.

## Student died in East Village early Saturday morning

By Emily McTavish  
Assistant News Editor

Jocelyn Pascucci, a sophomore marine vertebrate biology student, died early Saturday morning in the East Village, police reported.

Pascucci, 19, of East Meadow, N.Y., was found unconscious in an apartment building lobby at 125th E. 12th St. and was taken to Beth Israel Hospital, police said. She was pronounced dead on arrival, according to police.

According to "The New York Post," Pascucci may have had a heart condition, which could have been affected by a night of drinking.

However, the exact cause of death will be determined when the medical exam is completed, police said.

Jerrold L. Stein, dean of students, issued a statement to the university community Sunday about Pascucci.

"Jocelyn is described by faculty, friends and staff who knew her as being selfless in her dedication to help others," Stein said in an email, which informed the campus community of Pascucci's death.

"Many described her as a gifted student and as being caring, generous and having a wonderful sense of humor and a contagious laugh."

According to Pascucci's online portfolio, she had planned to go into conservation or consulting and was also on the pre-veterinary track.

Pascucci was also an Undergraduate Fellow for the Arts, Culture and Humanities Undergraduate College. In her biography on the college's page, Pascucci described herself as artsy because she enjoyed "drawing, painting and all other sorts of art-based things."

Marty Freda, a sophomore, said he knew Pascucci to be very nice and never heard her say anything bad about anyone else.

"She always seemed to be in an upbeat mood," Freda said.

Funeral arrangements will be listed on the Dean of Student's website upon availability, and students are encouraged by Stein to seek support from the campus resources to "deal with this difficult time."

## SBU requests funds to pay off lawsuit

By Giselle Barkley  
Contributing Writer

Stony Brook University requested \$30 million from the New York State Legislature to pay off part of a \$167.5 million judgment, or court order to pay money, resulting from the improper seizure of 245 acres west of campus.

The money is a portion of the university's unspent capital improvement funds, money set aside for construction projects such as the improvement of buildings and infrastructure, among other potential projects.

According to Elaine Crosson, the vice president for external relations at Stony Brook, SUNY Central and the Division of Budget have also contributed to paying the judgment.

Stony Brook acquired the land in question through eminent domain, which allows the government to seize private property for public use after paying fair market value for the property. Fair market value is generally the comparison of the property in question to similar properties to determine its value.

The dispute arose in 2006 after Stony Brook University purchased 245.5 acres of 316 acres from Gyrodyne Company of America, Inc. for \$26.3 million.

However, the company, which is involved in real estate, estimated its Flowerfield property at \$125 million.

As a result, Gyrodyne, feeling underpaid, filed a suit against the state and won. Since Stony Brook was to use the property, New York State felt the university should pay for the

penalty.

"The \$26.3 million payment was based on the fair market value appraisal rendered by state experts at the time," Crosson said.

Appraisers use several methods to determine a property's value including cost approach, sales comparison and possible income.

According to Crosson, it is unknown whether the previous administration foresaw a lawsuit with Gyrodyne, which would jeopardize the money saved to fund the university's capital projects. Crosson said this is why the university proceeded with the purchase of the land through the state.

The amount of money used to pay the judgment would be enough to build four Computer Science Buildings, a nearly \$40.8 million project being constructed on the school's west campus between the lot between the Light Engineering and current Computer Science buildings.

The situation also brings into question the judgement's effect on additional capital projects throughout the university taking place either currently or in the future. No comments were made in regards to this.

Currently the property is home to Stony Brook's Center of Wireless and Information Technology (CEWIT), which opened in March 2009.

According to the CEWIT's website, its mission is to "keep the region at the Forefront in Wireless and Information Technologies."

The university is still working toward paying off the judgment. It's not clear how long it will take before the fine is settled.

## Kelly Dining closed indefinitely

By Nina Lin  
Assistant Photo Editor

Students woke early on the morning of Monday, Feb. 11, to a closed and locked Kelly Dining Center. Approximately 28 inches of snow from Winter Storm Nemo caused enough roof damage for Stony Brook University to close Kelly, one of six major dining halls on campus.

"In the interest of student safety, Kelly Dining Center is closed due to extensive ceiling leaks in customer areas," Angela Agnello, the director of marketing and communications at Stony Brook's Faculty Student Association said. "The building will reopen as soon as repairs are completed."

According to James Montalto, a media relations manager for SBU, repairs are already underway. But nearly a week has passed since the leaks began and there is still no definite date on which students can expect Kelly Dining to reopen.

"The schedule is being implemented as quickly as possible," Montalto said in an email. "As it is an outdoor project being conducted in winter, the timeline will be influenced by the weather."

The food court at the Student Activities Center was filled to capacity all week. Lines at Roth Cafe, which had been extensive enough to begin with, doubled in length.

Even extended hours for both locations were not enough to ease the strain of displaced diners from Kelly Quad, Roosevelt Quad and West Apartment residents used to eating closer to home. The SAC Food Court, which normally closes at 10 p.m. on weekdays, now closes four hours later to accommodate Kelly's late night diners.

"Meal production has been increased at campus dining locations," Montalto said. Locations include all major campus eateries with the exception of the Health Science eatery, he said.



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The Kelly Dining Center is being renovated after extensive leaking from the recent snow storm.

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On Feb. 28, Pope Benedict XVI will be the first pope to resign from the position in close to 600 years. His announcement of these intentions has created a media firestorm as to who will replace him and what it will mean for the Catholic Church's future.

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SBU's men's basketball team defeated Vermont's Catamounts 65-48 on Friday, cementing its No. 1 standing in the America East conference.

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Expectations are high for the baseball team this semester, following its historic journey to Omaha, Neb. last June.

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# NEWS

## Nobel laureate finally spoke after hurricane postponed event

By Gavin Stern  
Contributing Writer

Come for the laughs, stay for the chemistry.

"It's good to be here—thanks for the weather," Robert H. Grubbs, Nobel laureate in chemistry, said.

More than 100 days after Superstorm Sandy forced a postponement, Grubbs finally presented the Distinguished Lecture in Science & Engineering, "Catalysis: Green Chemicals and Materials" on Feb. 15, 2013. 'Green chemistry' is accomplished either by reducing

hazardous byproducts or making a product that is more easily broken down by nature.

Students spilled out into the aisles of the Charles B. Wang Center theater for the chance to hear a living legend of synthetic organic chemistry.

Grubbs played the awestruck audience with humble, self-deprecating humor as he led them through a tangle of chemical reactions with his green laser pointer.

"I didn't really realize I was a 'green chemist' until the Nobel committee said I was," Grubbs said.

Grubbs, the father of Stony Brook University associate professor Robert B. Grubbs, is the Atkins Professor of Chemistry at the California Institute of Technology. He received the Nobel Prize in 2005 along with Richard R. Schrock and Yves Chauvin for devising a catalyst that would speed up "olefin metathesis."

Grubbs' work in metathesis revolutionized the production

of manmade materials, and the chemical transformations that are now standard in industry—even for companies like Victoria's Secret.

"One of the highlights of my chemical career," Grubbs said.

Currently, Grubbs is working on the materials and the chemistry needed to reduce industry's impact on the environment.

Grubbs' green chemical processes allow for the production of bio-renewable fuels for cars and jets, crystals that reflect solar radiation, superlight materials for windmills and pheromones that replace harmful pesticides to kill insects.

Making these materials cost effective, however, is a challenge. Grubbs said consumers do not buy green products unless cost and effectiveness are similar to the products they replace.

Grubbs dedicated the final portion of his lecture to the young scientists from all over the globe who work in his laboratory.

"These are the people who are really responsible for everything,"

Grubbs said, as he displayed a group photo and introduced each researcher by name. "These are the ones who make it happen."

Students who attended the lecture said Grubbs succeeded not only in teaching a complicated subject, but also in making the experience itself riveting.

"Dr. Grubbs was absolutely phenomenal. Really over the top," chemical engineering major Neil Edmands said. "I felt happy to understand at least some of what he was talking about."

Taurean Dyer, 27, a graduate student from Trinidad studying mechanical engineering at Stony Brook, said he was impressed with Grubbs' pheromone technology that stops mosquitos from reproducing.

"If he can get that working, that will be a huge boon to the Caribbean and Africa, where dengue is a major cause of death," Dyer said. "And if we can start making biodiesels at the level Grubbs was talking about, we might hit some big strides, hopefully, in the next 10 years."



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Neil Edmands, 35, from Hawaii, asks Robert H. Grubbs about the structure of synthetic materials at the Charles B. Wang Center of SBU on Feb. 15, 2013.

## Bike share program rides into Stony Brook

By Ashleigh Sherow  
Staff Writer

This spring semester, Stony Brook University will be joining the likes of places such as Montreal and Boston in its implementation of a new method of green transportation: bike sharing.

This program has become increasingly popular in urban areas, allowing people to use rented bikes to get from point A to point B as an alternative to hailing a cab or taking a bus.

This spring, Stony Brook will introduce 40 to 50 bikes for the program.

Stations where students can rent and return their rented bikes have been erected in front of the Student Activities Center, at the West Apartments and at the South Parking Lot.

Students can rent and return their bikes to any of the stations on campus.

The program, in the works since April 2011, has undergone a complete transformation.

Originally, it was designed to assign students their very own bikes to use exclusively throughout the semester.

However, after looking at other bike share programs in various cities, James O'Connor, director of transportation and sustainability operations on campus, said he wanted a program that would allow the community to obtain bikes.

This new version of the program, he said, uses the same bikes as the bike share program in Boston.

A new green feature comes from the solar powered



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**Bike share programs, which provide an alternate transportation method for people, have become increasingly popular.**

kiosks at the bike stations, which O'Connor says are also undergoing maintenance to allow students to use their student ID cards to check out bikes more quickly.

He says the kiosk system is "more accessible and easier to use."

The bikes, which are for on-campus use only, are free for students for the first 60 minutes as part of the transportation fee they pay as part of their tuition. After the first 60 minutes,

students pay a small fee per hour.

After the program launches in the spring, O'Connor has aspirations for the program to grow by adding additional locations and bikes.

He sees the expansion of the bike share service as a potential alternative to adding more bus routes.

The Stony Brook Environmental Club, which meets in the Science and Society Center in Roth Quad on

Wednesdays at 7 p.m. said they are in favor of the initiative.

"[It provides] speedy transportation to and from the Academic Mall without the combustion of fossil fuels. Currently many residents of West Apartments rely on the bus, which at peak use, cannot hold everyone. Hopefully the Bike Share Program can lessen dependence on bus transportation and get more students to class on time," said a representative for the club in

an email.

As for now, O'Connor says, The Department of Transportation is "working hard to get it off the ground."

He hopes that the bike share program will be ready for students by March.

Students interested in learning more or getting involved with the program can join the transportation and parking student advisory committee or visit stonybrook.edu/transportation.

## Campus briefing: clubs to face reduced funding

### Police Blotter

A female employee's wallet was stolen from the Melville Library on Monday, Feb. 4, police said. The alleged perpetrator, a homeless man, was arrested.

A former male student who had been suspended by the university trespassed into Langmuir College on Monday, Feb. 4, police said. The former student was issued a field ticket and was referred by police to the university.

A laptop and backpack were stolen at the Melville Library on Monday, Feb. 4, police said. The property was returned.

A pillow was stolen from Yang, but was returned to the student on Tuesday, Feb. 5, police said.

Three male students were found with marijuana in Roosevelt Quad on Tuesday, Feb. 5, police said. They were all issued referrals.

An iPad was stolen from a student in Irving College on Thursday, Feb. 7, police said. It was returned to its owner.

Compiled by Ashleigh Sherow

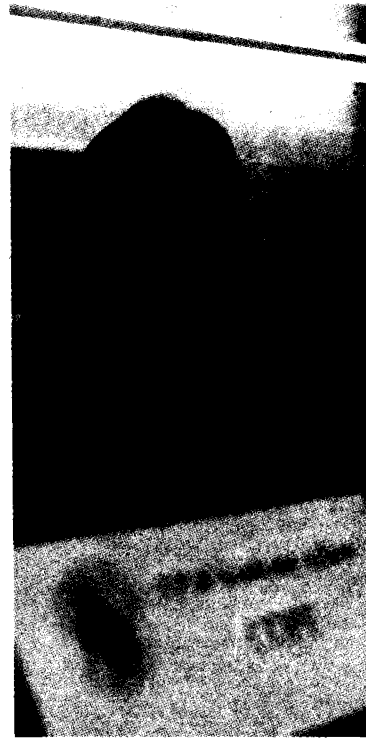
By Kelly Zegers  
Contributing Writer

Much debate at the Feb. 14 Undergraduate Student Government Senate meeting surrounded appropriations to 10 campus clubs and the financial bylaws that can affect the amount of money clubs receive if they do not meet expectations.

Groups such as Young Americans for Freedom and Alternative Spring Break Outreach (ASBO) face 50 percent budget reductions for this spring semester. The common reason for this changes involves the clubs' spending in the fall semester, as the clubs did not use their budgets to hold events.

John Slanover, president of Young Americans for Freedom, accepted the ramifications, saying "it'll be O.K.," though the club will be "cutting it close" when it comes to putting money toward its hotel accommodations for a trip planned to Washington, D.C. ASBO saw the cut as hindrance, mentioning the need to cover bus insurance for its community service spring break trip, which involves 88 students.

The Budget Committee explained that reductions are set in order to remind clubs to maximize their budgets and improve campus life in the fall



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#### USG President Anna Lubitz called for club advisers to "step it up."

semester. President Anna Lubitz made a statement concerning how it is the responsibility of clubs, not USG, to facilitate utilizing budgets and that "advisers definitely need to step it up."

For groups such as the Boxing Club and Black Womyn's Weekend, changes in leadership led to confusion about criteria

that must be met in order to maintain their appropriated funds.

Members of the Budget Committee, as well as USG Treasurer Allen Abraham, made statements to explain that the bylaw information has been made available on the USG website, at leadership conferences and through e-mail.

After email evidence showed an attempt by BWW to hold an event in the fall and receive vouchers for expenses, their budget was reconsidered in a vote to change their reduction from 50-percent to 40 percent for the spring. The cut is a concern to BWW member Tiffany Osong who said, "It's not just us affected by it," during a three minute recess in which the group's funding was discussed. She was referring to the large numbers of faculty, students, and alumni that attend the group's costly spring events.

As for the meeting's open agenda, an opportunity was presented for students to have an impact on what general education classes will be called in the future. Stony Brook is looking to change the name from DEC's and any students with suggestions can email USG VP of Academic Affairs Derek Cope at [dcope@stonybrookusg.org](mailto:dcope@stonybrookusg.org).



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# SBU researchers collaborate on new polio vaccination

By Hanaa' Tameez  
Assistant News Editor

Stony Brook professor Dr. Eckard Wimmer and assistant research professor Dr. Jeronimo Cello have recently collaborated with Stony Brook University and Janssen Pharmaceuticals to develop an inactive polio vaccine based on highly attenuated polio viral seed strains.

According to the university's

press release, "These strains, when inactivated, have the potential to be as effective and as safe as the current activated poliovirus vaccine (IPV)."

Wimmer, who has been at Stony Brook for nearly forty years, is best known for his work on the poliovirus.

Last May, he was inducted into the National Academy of Science.

Sean Boykevisch, who

facilitated the agreement between Janssen and the university, lauded Wimmer's accomplishments and contributions to the field of virology, which include "the elucidation of the chemical structure of the poliovirus genome and the first in vitro synthesis of polio, or any organism for that matter."

"In 2006/2007, Dr. Wimmer and Dr. Cello developed a novel poliovirus that was stably neuro-

attenuated and they identified its first application as a possible therapy for the treatment of neuroblastoma," Boykevisch said.

"[They] realized that the engineered virus can have other applications as well, such as in the manufacturing of inactivated polio vaccine (IPV) and proceeded to study this application with funding from the World Health Organization," Boykevisch said.

According to Boykevisch, higher reliance on IPV necessitates "new, safer seed viruses for its manufacture."

Wimmer and his colleagues are working with Janssen to evaluate the seed viruses that they developed to determine if they are suitable for use in manufacturing IPV.

If so, Janssen will use the seed strains to manufacture a new inactive polio vaccine.

Current polio vaccines are made from a wild-type poliovirus, which is more dangerous and could lead to further health issues.

"There are two types of vaccine, one is called oral vaccine that you used to receive in the States, which was made of a live attenuated virus. Now it's not given here but it is in the rest of the world," Cello explained.

"Eventually that vaccine could mutate and give you side effects and give you paralysis. So now

[the World Health Organization] doesn't want to use that vaccine anymore and they want to go to the inactive polio vaccine," Cello said.

Cello said he, Wimmer, the university, and Janssen Pharmaceuticals are each making a contribution towards this project to develop the vaccine.

"We use the laboratories here but more than that, the university is dealing with all the legal aspects of our work and in this case, they are working with the company in Holland. At the same time the university helps protect our rights as inventors," Cello said.

"[We don't have] the ability to commercialize all these products and [Janssen] have a system where we can produce a huge amount of the vaccine," he continued.

"While we are developing the seed strain, they are making it safer and cheaper," Cello said.

The most worthwhile part of the process, Cello said, is the chance to help people avoid contracting the disease.

"I think it's nice, I think everyone wants their research to be used in a way that will help," he continued.

"In this case, eradicate a disease or treat a disease and you're helping the society. To see our research is put in action in this way and see this result, it's rewarding."



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Dr. Jeronimo Cello, Dr. Eckard Wimmer, Dr. Benjamin Hsiao and Dr. Sean Boykevisch are working a polio vaccine in collaboration with Janssen Pharmaceuticals.

## Stony Brook considers implementing new online courses

By Will Welch  
Contributing Writer

The ad hoc task force assigned by Provost Dennis Assanis to investigate Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) in December indicated at a town hall meeting held last Wednesday at the Wang Center that Stony Brook would benefit from instituting online classes.

MOOCs are online courses designed to be open to the public and support thousands of students. The most common form of these classes utilizes both recorded lectures and interactive content that checks student comprehension. MOOCs have been quickly adopted over the past six months by top-tier universities such as Princeton, Brown, Columbia and Duke, which all began offering courses last year.

"Recent developments in technology for digital education and the rampant emergence of massive open online courses (MOOCs) are creating the perception of a game-changing, disruptive educational approach that has the potential to transform both access to education as well as the methods we use to teach our own students and the world," Assanis said in a recent email to the Stony Brook Community.

Coursera, the largest MOOC platform, already has more than 2,661,000 learners enrolled in 222

courses.

The committee cited several reasons for strong MOOC offerings at Stony Brook, including production resources, existing online course offerings, benefits for

**"We think MOOCs can greatly enhance the Stony Brook brand."**

-Paul Bingham  
Chair of the Branding  
Subcommittee

current students and publicity.

Because these courses are public by nature, there is a potential to raise the profile of the university with high-quality offerings. "We think MOOCs can greatly enhance the Stony Brook brand," Paul Bingham, chair of the branding subcommittee, said.

MOOCs also have the potential to help with pressure on general education courses with high retake rates. By allowing current students to fulfill course requirements online, demand for live versions of the courses can be reduced.

MOOC technology can also be used to fulfill other in-house

functions, such as supplementing classes with interactive content and educating students about resources available on campus during orientation.

Stony Brook already hosts several online courses through the School of Nursing and Biology Online. The School of Nursing runs classes through the SUNY Learning Network, which offers a variety of classes to students in the SUNY system. Biology Online, which is run by the department of biochemistry and cell biology, provides access to three undergraduate courses and two graduate courses for students enrolled at Stony Brook.

Given these offerings as well as resources like the Center for Communication Science, SBU TV, the Simons Center and Teaching, Learning and Technology, the task force strongly felt that Stony Brook has the capacity to support high quality online classes.

The task force is considering several different platforms for the production of courses, including edX, a non-profit project founded by MIT and Harvard; Coursera, currently the largest of available platforms; Udacity, a Stanford University project; and several learning management systems, including Moodle, Blackboard and Instructure.

Regardless of the system, the task force emphasized that free MOOCs would represent only a segment of Stony Brook's

development of online education resources, alongside courses developed for enrolled students and other content.

Several different models exist for awarding credit for online classes. Some courses allow students to purchase a certificate of completion after finishing a course, while others offer a paid certification test. It is also possible to allow students who pay tuition for the class to receive university credit, while others can take the class free of charge just for the benefit of learning. Selling textbooks and other educational materials are other means of generating revenue.

The immediate goal the task force is recommending the development

of a small number of courses to offer through Coursera, which will provide a low-cost and visible entry into the MOOC market. Over the long term, they are recommending the establishment of a committee to manage the development of MOOCs and other online content.

Stony Brook began looking into MOOCs in December, prior to SUNY Chancellor Nancy L. Zimpher's State of the University Address, when she announced a system wide initiative to begin publishing online classes. The task force is co-chaired by Eduardo Mendieta, chair of the philosophy department, and Wendy Tang, associate chair of the electrical and computer engineering department.

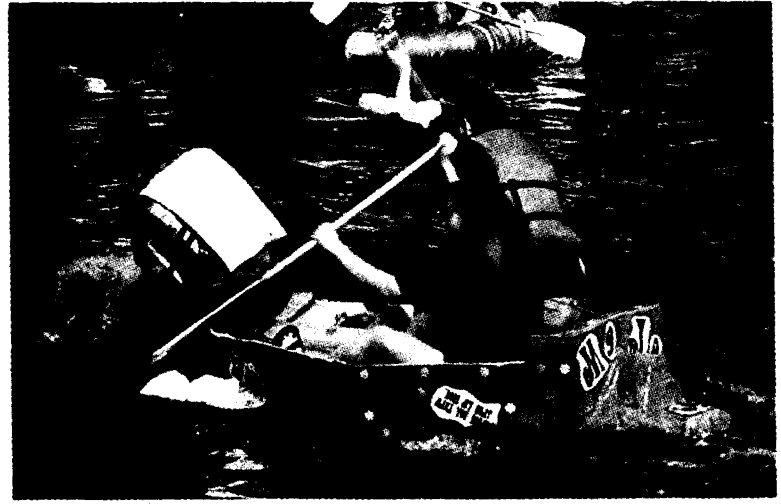


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**Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) are online classes that would be open to students and the public.**

# Sailing to Success

## True Tales Beyond the Regatta



It had been not once, but twice, that Bill Sallustro, in concert with a team of students, sailed his homegrown seafaring vessels to victory in the Roth Pond Regatta. This was indicative of one of Bill's personal assets: seizing opportunities and transforming them into achievements.

In an unsuspecting fashion, he managed to accomplish that feat, and a surprising number of others in a relatively short period. But how?

To start with, when Billy was an undergraduate student at SBU, he applied for a position in campus dining to help make ends meet. After starting as a beverage runner, Billy sailed through a progression of positions in campus dining as a student manager, supervisor, production manager, director of management information systems and assistant director of operations.



Billy had simply leveraged his accumulated work experiences in Campus Dining by building upon the most desirable work skills— interpersonal, technological and managerial. In other words, just as he crafted a seaworthy vessel to assure its buoyancy— to keep it afloat during all kinds of circumstances— he built tangibility into his budding career.

## Lesson learned?

The key question that typically goes unasked— and unanswered— by students during their college years, is whether there is any “ship” that they can anchor to, for launching a series of future successes.

When have you last asked yourself:

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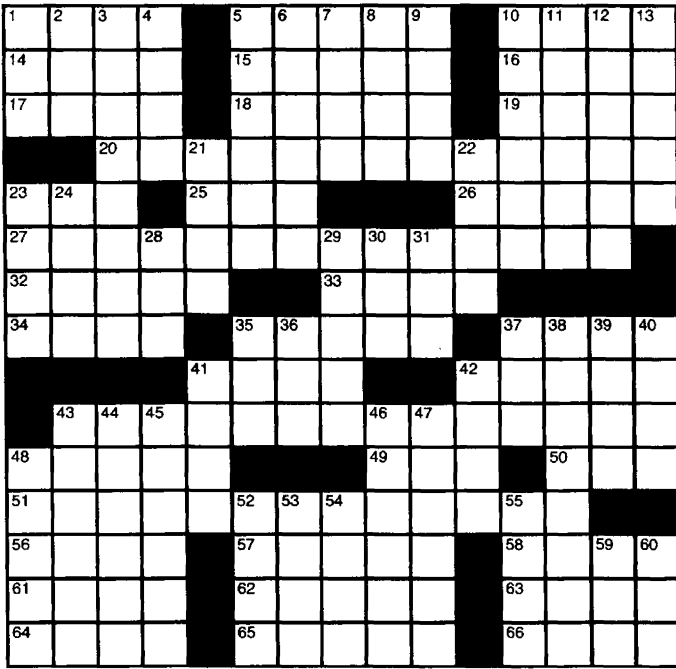
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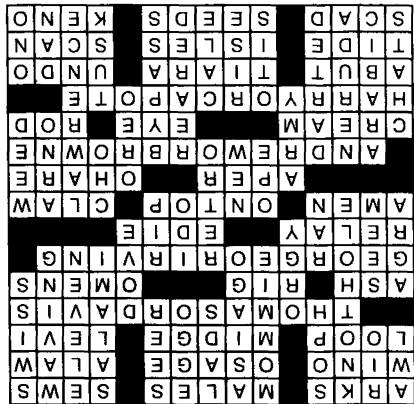
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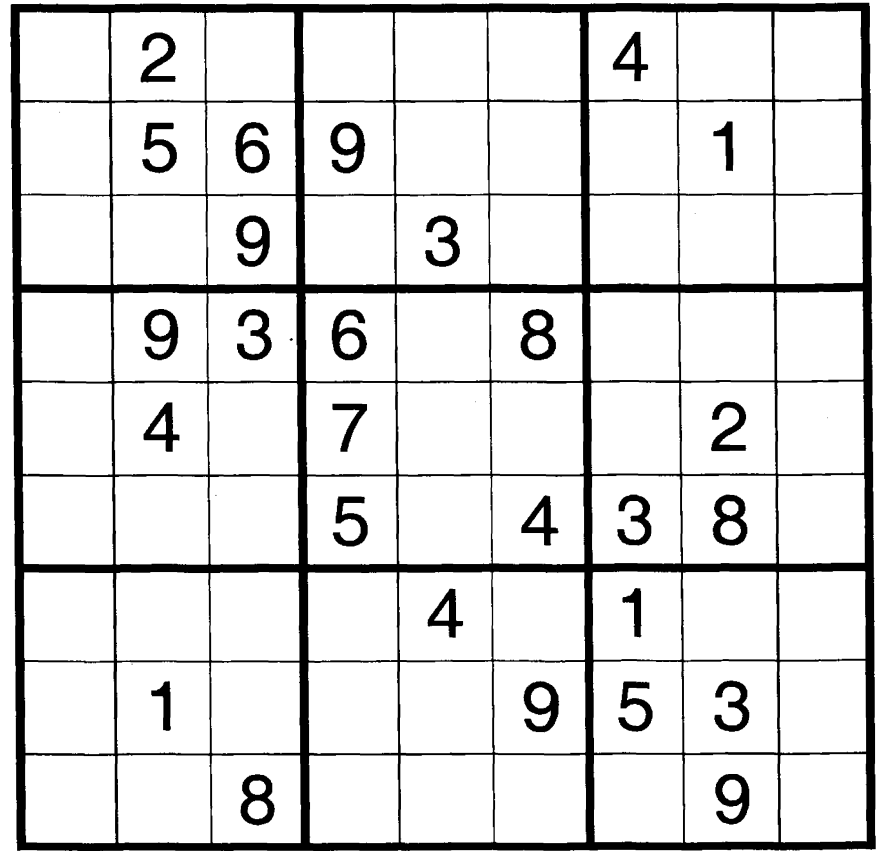


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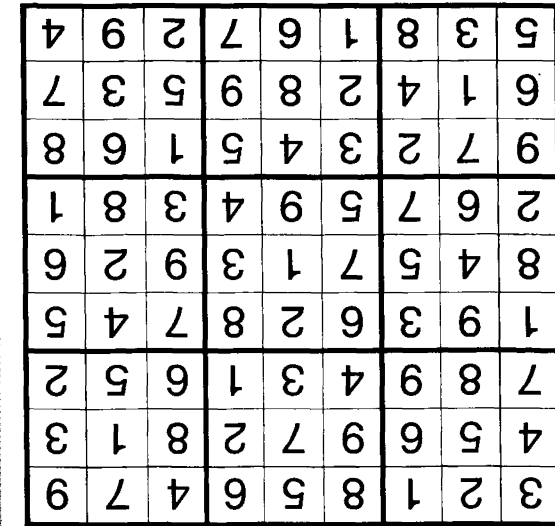
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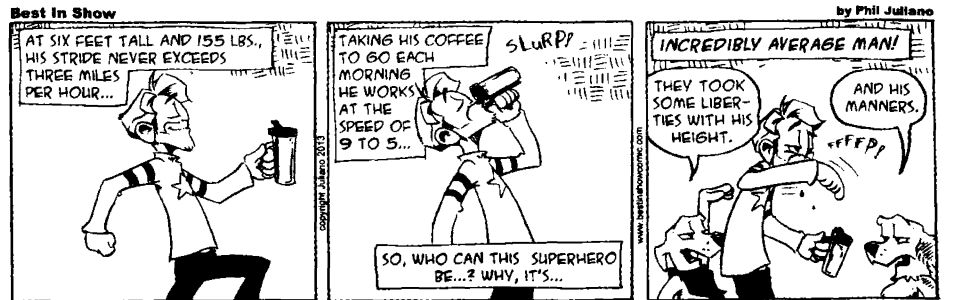
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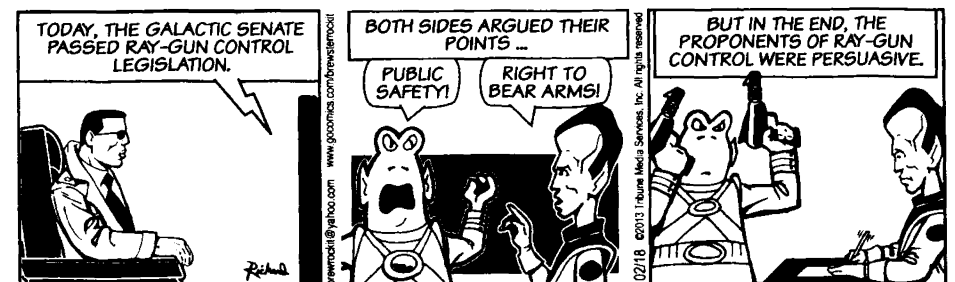
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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Stony Brook secrets bring campus community together

By Chelsea Katz  
Staff Writer

Secrets: they are no fun unless you anonymously write them down on a post-it and see them displayed in the Student Activities Center (SAC) art gallery.

For this Stony Brook Secrets art exhibit, students were encouraged to anonymously write their secrets and put them in boxes around campus. Those secrets will be displayed in the SAC art gallery. The exhibit is not affiliated with

the popular Facebook page of the same name.

This year, Arianna Warner, the assistant manager for the SAC gallery and also creator of The Dinosaur Onesie Project, is looking to create community, collaborate with other groups on campus and transform the gallery into an abstract piece of art.

"I think it's really about bringing people together and giving them a voice on campus," Warner, a senior studio art major,

said. "That's why we have it where people can submit their secrets anonymously. There's no stigma about what you say."

Warner enjoys that the gallery allows students to see that they are not alone and that others think as they do. She thinks that it will bring about a sense of community.

The show is intended to bring together people of different backgrounds and lifestyles. For some viewers, Stony Brook Secrets will be their first time in a gallery setting.

The Craft Center attracted student secrets by giving away teddy bears that they had accrued over the years. The promotional component also freed up space.

"If we get a new donation, shoot, we'll give out more," Warner said. As of Friday, The Craft Center had given out all of

their teddy bears and had more than 300 secrets.

Along with emphasizing community, the Craft Center is looking to collaborate and show off talents.

"On one hand, there are the secrets on the darker side," Warner said. "We don't want to create an environment that is haphazard."

The Craft Center is partnering with the Center for Prevention and Outreach (CPO), Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) and the Student Activities Board (SAB). CAPS and CPO are providing information about suicide hotlines and LGBT safe spaces. SAB is funding between 65 and 75 percent of the program minus the staffing.

The Out of State Student Association, OOSSA, will be holding an open mic night, and

Spoke the Thunder is planning a poetry reading. Warner said she thinks there will also be dances and lectures.

In addition, Tuesdays and Wednesdays will be late nights in the SAC art gallery, staying open until 9 p.m. with free food.

"It's an abstract," Warner said about the ideas for the gallery installation. "It's not 'Oh, I'm transforming this into a rainforest.' It's going to be something more really visually abstract that will play with the themes of the show."

While a gallery can be a set of white walls with everything at eye level, the Craft Center is trying to transform the place into something that is not the stereotypical art display. The center will be deciding on a final design of the installation in the next few days.



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Last year, the SAC Gallery hosted Stony Brook secrets.



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Last year, students' secrets were displayed in a colorful collage on the SAC Gallery's walls.

## THREE ARTSY EVENTS

### 1) Vagina Monologues

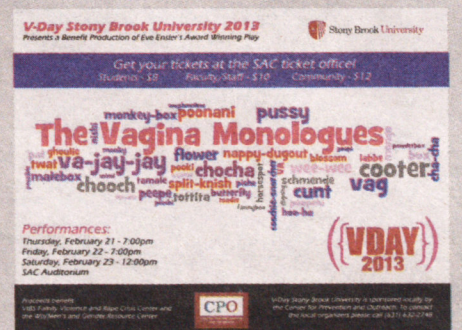
Student Life is hosting a student rendition of the Vagina Monologues on Feb. 21 and 22 at 7 p.m. and Feb. 23 at 12 p.m. in the SAC Auditorium. Tickets are on sale in the SAC ticket office; \$8 for students, \$10 for faculty/staff and \$12 for community members.

### 2) Black History Month Spoken Word and Open Mic Contest

There is an open mic contest celebrating Black History Month on Feb. 21 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Black Box Theater at the Tabler Arts Center. The night's theme is after Sankofa! The Revival. Winners of the contest will be announced at the Black History Month Closing Program Feb. 28. The event is open to members of the Stony Brook community.

### 3) USG Gala

The Undergraduate Student Government is hosting a networking and fundraising event on Feb. 23 from 7 to 11 p.m. in SAC Ballroom A. There will be food, performances and opportunities to talk with alumni and staff. Tickets are free for students with ID cards in the SAC ticket office.





# Staller attracts students with cheap ticket prices and deals

By Deanna Del Ciello  
News Editor

In the heart of Stony Brook University's research-based and science-focused campus sits the Staller Center for the Arts. Home to approximately 500 professional and student performances, the center is a hub for entertainment for the surrounding community. But it cannot seem to catch the attention of those who pass its walls each day—SBU students.

"We are currently [around] 11 percent students, 28 percent faculty and staff, 61 percent community," Alan Inkles, director of the Staller Center, said of show attendance. Inkles said the Staller Center markets to students differently than the outside community because it is harder to get the students' attention to draw them in for a show.

"There's so many distractions now," Inkles said. "It's a generation that also didn't grow up going to the theater. Why would they come see a show when they could go to a party with their friends? It's not something on the top of their list."

Because of this disparity between what students find to be entertaining and the type of entertainment the Staller Center offers, the center has created marketing programs to help increase student attendance.

"First On Us" is a program that

gives students their first ticket to a show at the Staller Center for free. Marketed toward freshmen and transfer students, promotions are sent to the new incoming students via flyers in orientation materials and in the daily planners handed out at the orientation ceremony.

"Early Student Rush" is one month during the year during which student tickets for all shows are priced at \$7. Students can always purchase rush tickets the night of a show, however the month of "Early Student Rush" tickets can be purchased at all times. "Early Student Rush" is currently this month at Staller.

Both programs started a few years ago when the Staller Center put more focus on marketing to students. Since then, there has been a rise in student attendance according to Outreach Coordinator Paul Newman.

According to Newman, the marquee that was installed on the front of the building last fall has also helped attract students. The marquee, which advertises a variety of the available shows and movies, faces a popular hangout spot on campus—the Staller Steps. In the warm weather, students flock to the grassy area to hang out with friends between classes.

While the effort to bring in more students has been working, many students still have yet to attend a show, and others remain unaware of

the program.

"It's just so close and right there," Syed Hossain, a sophomore business major who has not attended a show at the Staller Center, said. "It's so easy to access that you just think you can always go and then never do. But it is something that I definitely want to do." Hossain said he was not aware about "First On Us" or "Early Student Rush," but that he has seen advertisements and promotions for the shows around campus.

Michelle Hong, a senior applied math statistics major, said she has attended shows in which her friends have performed, but nothing else. She was also unaware of the programs the center implemented to attract students.

It is this disconnect that has inspired the Staller Center to grow its social media presence in the hopes of reaching out to more students.

"We're hoping to do more with Twitter and we're trying to make our Facebook more dynamic," Julie Greene, the director of marketing at the Staller Center, said. "We'll keep adding things as we go, Instagram if we need to. We'd really like the Staller Center Facebook and Twitter be something that students really want to check."

For Inkles, getting students into the shows is a priority.

"I want the number [of student attendance] up to 20 percent in the

next two years," Inkles said. That will be accomplished with programming geared more for students and more campus outreach and marketing.

Having a student in attendance is more important for Inkles than the possible profit from selling a ticket to the community.

"I would rather have a student sitting in one of the seats for free," Inkles said, "than have an empty \$35 seat that night."

Maybe Inkles' enthusiasm can make the Staller Center a hub of entertainment for the students, as well as the surrounding community.



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Performances like "Donka" are a staple of the Staller Center.

## "Beautiful Creatures": bad plot overshadows good romance

By Jon Winkler  
Staff Writer



Expectations for the casual movie viewer were probably not high for "Beautiful Creatures," which is Hollywood's latest attempt to fill the fantasy romance franchise gap that the "Twilight" franchise left after it concluded last November.

Hollywood tried to sell "Warm Bodies," the story of a girl who falls for an emotionally-conflicted and deep-thinking teenager... who was also a zombie. "Warm Bodies," though a noble attempt, was dead on arrival (no pun intended). Zombie romance was original in its concept, but love with witches seemed too bland considering it has been done

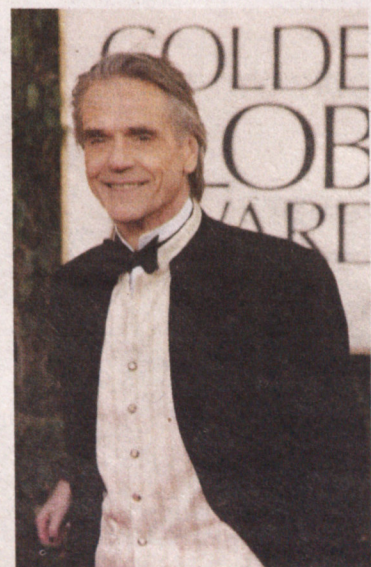


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Jeremy Irons plays Ravenwood.

before in TV and film.

One thing that can make a movie work well is chemistry between the cast members, while one thing that could destroy a movie is a ridiculous plot. Both are featured in this adaptation of the 2009 novel of the same name, and both make the film somewhat passable entertainment.

In the town of Gatlin, South Carolina, lives Ethan Wate (Alden Ehrenreich), a junior in high school who longs to leave his conservative, single-minded hick town that treats an annual Civil War reenactment like a religious ceremony and write books on par with Kurt Vonnegut. Ethan lives with an unseen father (his mother passed away earlier), so he is primarily cared for by the town librarian, Amma (Oscar nominee Viola Davis). He returns to school of his junior year to a new girl in his class and his town.

Her name is Lena Duchannes (Alice Englert), but the kids in school tease her for being the niece of old man Ravenwood, the town shut-in. Lena disturbs the church-going Dixie girls in school, but she entices Ethan because he believes he has had dreams about her before. Her disdain for the uptight kids in town and interest in books on loneliness and the inner self only makes Ethan more curious. He pursues Lena and eventually meets old man Ravenwood, Macon (Oscar winner Jeremy Irons), who wants Lena away from this boy. Eventually, Lena

tells Ethan that she is a "caster" and that she is to be "claimed" for either the light or dark on her 16th birthday.

Lena, her guard let down, adores Ethan but does not want him to experience her family. This includes her cousin Ridley (Emmy Rossum) and her mother, Sarafine (Oscar winner Emma Thompson), who is also the greatest dark caster alive. Lena is torn between her supposed destiny and her desired love, but she fears losing control of herself more than losing Ethan.

Yes, Lena's choice is very typical of teen love stories, and it is very cheesy. On the plus side, Lena and Ethan do make a cute couple.

Ehrenreich and Englert are newcomers to the big screen, but they share great chemistry. Ehrenreich's Ethan is funny and charming as can be, and he matches with the alluring Englert.

Irons and Thompson are two world-class actors who deserve better movies than this, but they both have a ball wearing high class clothing and casting spells, especially when they trade words face to face. Rossum looks better than anyone else in the movie, but, then again, she plays a seductress, so it is understandable.

What hurts "Beautiful Creatures" is the entire plot itself. The witch plot is not interesting at all, and the cheap special effects do not help matters much. If the



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Viola Davis is a supporting actress in "Beautiful Creatures."

movie had better screenwriting and eliminated the entire witch subplot, it could have been an enjoyable romantic comedy.

"Beautiful Creatures" is more entertaining than "Warm Bodies" and has a better romantic couple than anything in all five "Twilight" films, so this should

be a great date movie to have in your arsenal when you are with your partner cuddling on the couch. But alas, writer-director Richard LaGravenese remains faithful to the novel and its fan base, which is sad because the transition from book to movie is dull.

# CPO and CHOICE promote safe sex to prevent HIV

By Nicole Bansen  
Assistant Arts & Entertainment Editor

Valentine's Day might be over, but the last thing sexually active college students want to give their significant other is HIV or an STI. That's why the Center for Prevention and Outreach (CPO), along with Choosing Healthy Options In a College Environment (CHOICE), will be doing what they can to make the importance of safe sex clear to the Stony Brook campus.

CPO is a university resource that considers student safety a top priority. The group of staff, student peer educators (like CHOICE) and volunteers provide students with services dealing with alcohol and other substances, relationships, gender issues and making healthy choices. This year in particular, CPO will be heavily promoting safe sex because of a \$10,000 grant they received.

According to Kathleen Valerio, a health educator and peer education program coordinator for CPO, the grant is a NY State Prevention Materials Grant and will be used toward HIV prevention.

"I coordinate weekly HIV on campus testing, provided by Long Island Association for AIDS Care (LIAAC) and schedule/coordinate campus HIV testing events with area nonprofits," Valerio said in an email.

LIAAC does private screenings on campus so students do not have to feel uncomfortable. It is a quick and painless test that requires nothing

more than a swab of the mouth. To check for STIs, students need to urinate in a cup. However, students who think they are in immediate risk of having HIV can make a special scheduled screening where they go through a different type of testing other than the swab, which is the basic testing method.

Other ways the grant money

is helping is by supplying each Residence Hall Director (RHD) in each quad with a large packet of both male and female condoms for every Resident Assistant (RA) to offer to their residents, as well as an HIV handout created for the RAs.

Normally, RHDs would have to pay for their own building's supply of condoms, but with the help of the

grant, they are able to save money. Besides condoms and HIV testings, CPO has planned other ways to reach out to students about safe sex.

This past Valentine's Day, CPO, along with Commuter Student Services, Student Health Services and Planned Parenthood, they held an event called "Love Carefully," in which they talked about safer sex

and how to protect oneself. They also encouraged students to "know your status."

There are also programs done by these organizations called "Flying Solo" and programs through CHOICE that promote safer sex for students.

Palvi Chadha, a CHOICE intern and sophomore majoring in biology, thinks events like these are important.

"Nowadays, it's common for people to have many sexual partners," Chadha said. "HIV and AIDS are really high in America and I feel like that's for no reason because we have to means to prevent ourselves from getting them. Why risk your immune system for a couple minutes of fun?"

But it is not just HIV or AIDS students have to worry about contracting from unprotected sex. They are also at risk for unwanted pregnancies, STIs or STDs.

"Sometimes people won't even know if they have STIs," said Chadha. "If you just protect yourself then it's a sure thing and you'll know you don't have them."

Some STIs manifest symptoms in males but not females, so students can never be too sure if they are at risk. It is especially dangerous for couples who have had multiple sexual partners.

"It's okay to have fun," Chadha said. "But definitely think of the consequences of your actions. If you choose to be intimate, be smart, protect yourself. Think it through and most importantly, be safe!"



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Part of CPO's \$10,000 grant is used to provide condoms for the quads on campus.



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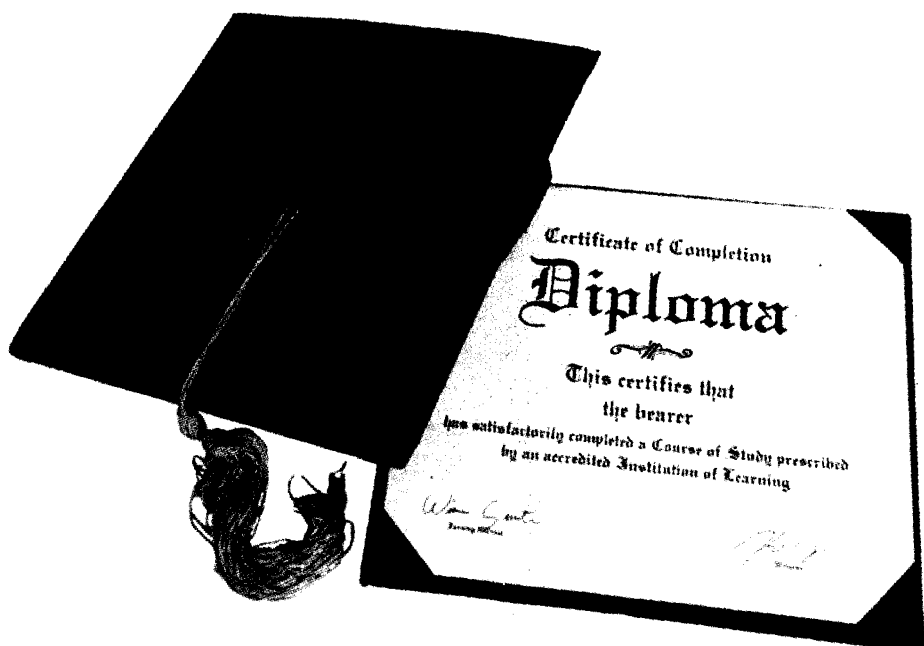


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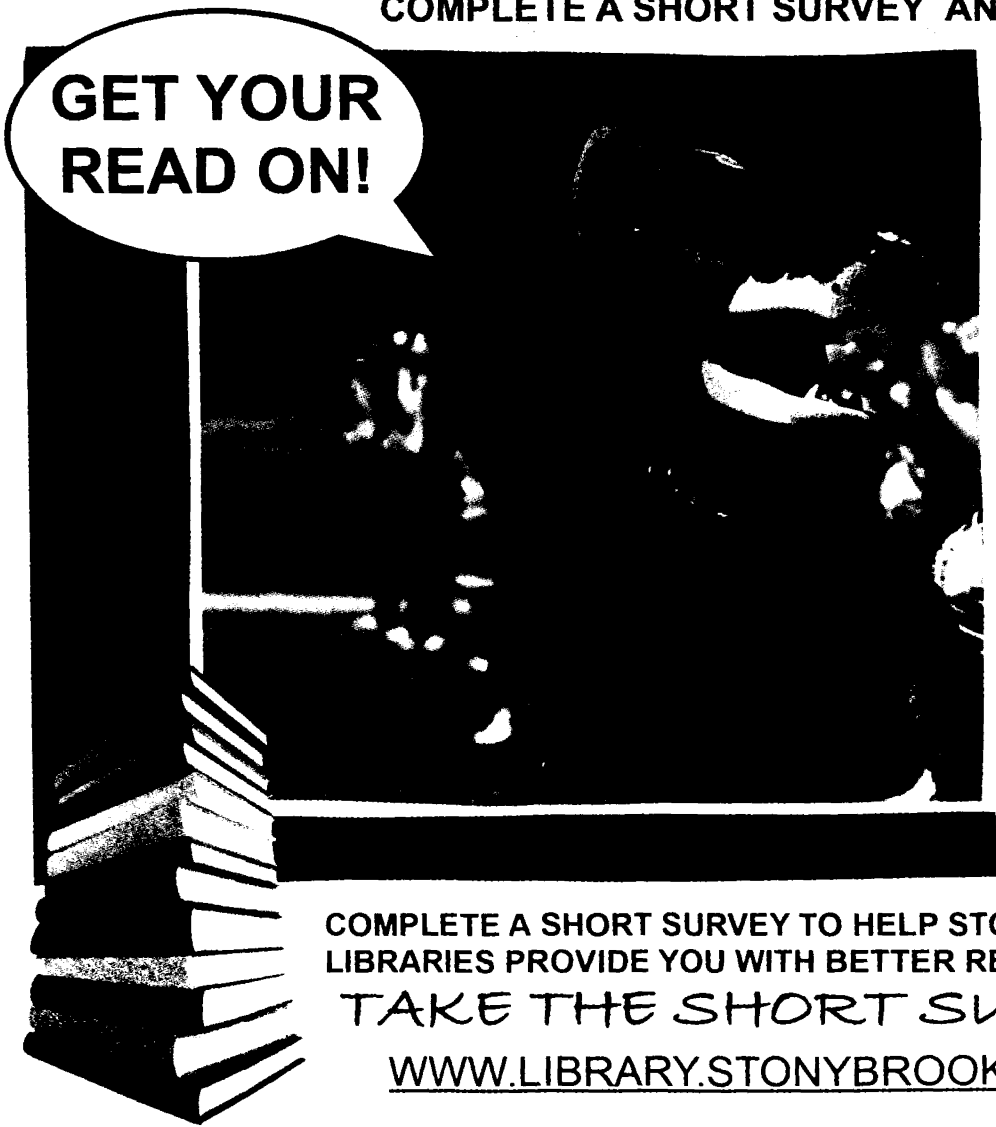
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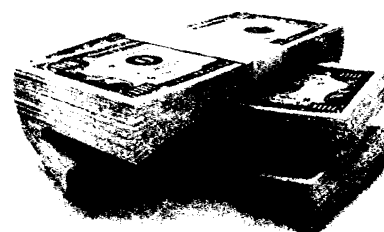
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## The thankless task

This past weekend, Stony Brook University was shaken by the passing of one of its students. *The Statesman* reached out to the campus community looking for comments and information on the incident. Although no journalist enjoys covering these kinds of stories, the truth is that not doing so would have been a greater disservice to Jocelyn Pascucci and would have ignored *The Statesman's* civic duty. In a matter of hours, Twitter lit up with negative comments pertaining to *The Statesman* and a wider discussion on journalistic ethics; specifically the insensitive nature of the press when dealing with tragic events such as the death of Jocelyn Pascucci.

Consider for a moment the alternative to *The Statesman's* reportage on the situation. *The Statesman* could have published an article similar to the ones found in "The New York Post," "CBS" or "The New York Times"—a sterile article detailing how the doorman of an East Village apartment building found Ms. Pascucci unconscious and how she was pronounced dead at the hospital. But this type of reportage would be a disservice to Jocelyn. We're all worth more than the type of article that these media organizations published. A quick Google search online of someone's name should not show the headline "Co-ed dies after boozing." Instead, *The Statesman* chose to reach out and get more information about Jocelyn and who she was from the people who knew her best: her friends and family. Jocelyn wasn't a drug-addict or a drunk; she was a bright, talented young lady. She was an undergraduate fellow for the Undergraduate College of Arts, Culture and Humanities, an

avid artist, and a beloved friend and daughter.

We—Stony Brook students—are all grieving. Painting the picture of a life well-lived (with the help of Jocelyn's friends and family) is the final service we can do for Jocelyn. The friends of students who have passed can help to set the story straight so that all can remember the deceased the way he or she was meant to be remembered. Instead of taking to Twitter to berate *The Statesman* about the actions taken by its staff, we ask that you help us make sure that Jocelyn's life isn't misunderstood. Take a step back and read the media's coverage of Jocelyn's death. Now read ours.

*The Statesman* comprises a group of volunteer staff who are people, too. Journalists all over the world have to do this thankless job, and covering death—especially the death of a peer—is never welcomed. Nobody wakes up in the morning excited to contact grieving people about the friend or family member they recently lost. Our staff performs this task in the interest of providing truthful, accurate information and in serving the community. It comes from a place of respect for the family and friends of the deceased. Not one of our staff members wants to see anything published but the truth. The community should remember Jocelyn for who she was, and as journalists, we do our best to preserve her memory.

Though we never hope for something like this to happen, we hope before you judge *The Statesman*, you realize we are doing a job that not many can do. Contacting loved ones is not easy. It's hard to separate yourself from the situation when it hits so close to home. But these are things that as

journalists, writers, and staff, we all learn to deal with.

To clarify, *Statesman* reporters did not inform anyone that Jocelyn had passed away. That is not our place, nor did we publish anything until *The Statesman* had contacted the police department and received an official confirmation. *The Statesman* contacted the victim's friends to find out more about who Jocelyn was. When these individuals refrained from responding, our staff never badgered them.

The fact that we are a campus publication shouldn't take away from the fact that *The Statesman* is a legitimate news source. The reality is that we care a lot more about covering the story because we had a connection to Jocelyn. She was our peer and a student at our university, and as a fellow students, we feel much more obligated to report the story in depth. The larger news organizations treat this as just news, but to *The Statesman*, it's much more than that. We lost a member of our community, and for *The Statesman* to be targeted as insensitive for trying to get the full story is hurtful. Covering the death of a student, as a student, is not something we enjoy. We do it because we hope to be remembered and respected in the same way if something were to happen to us.

- The Editors

## Top three with Keith: A summary of foreign affairs

By Keith Olsen  
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### Syria

After spending time in Syria to discuss plans to rebuild the war-ravaged city of Aleppo, Iranian General Hassan Shateri was killed while traveling to Lebanon. It currently isn't clear whether he was killed in Lebanon or Syria, or even who killed him. The Iranian Revolutionary Guard claims that supporters of Israel were responsible for the assassination. Shateri was a senior leader of the Revolutionary Guard, which is a branch of the Iranian military.

### North Korea

After warning the world of what it was about to accomplish, North Korea detonated another nuclear device. This is the Asian country's third nuclear test, which is reportedly the most powerful that it has detonated; more importantly, it's also the smallest nuclear device that North Korea has successfully tested. By decreasing the size of the bomb, North Korea will eventually be able to construct a device that is small enough to fit in a missile warhead.

North Korea's traditional allies have denounced the latest test. The Chinese Foreign Ministry released a statement in which they claim that "it is China's firm stance to realise non-nuclearisation for the Korean peninsula and prevent nuclear proliferation and maintain peace and stability in northeast Asia." Similarly, Russia has also condemned the test.

There have been reports that North Korea is preparing to test two more nuclear devices, and possibly test another missile launch. The objective of this escalation is to try to force America into negotiations, but that strategy doesn't usually work when used against the United States.

### Russia

The biggest meteor in more than a hundred years exploded over Russia while entering the atmosphere on Friday, Feb. 15. The rock was estimated to weigh roughly 10,000 tons, and the explosion, which was caused by friction between the rock and atmosphere, was as powerful as 300-500 kilotons of TNT.

The blast occurred over the city of Chelyabinsk and shattered windows in the region; over a thousand people sought medical care, mainly from the broken glass. There were many recordings of the explosion which was momentarily brighter than the sun. There was an even larger meteor strike in 1908 in Tunguska, Siberia, which flattened over 320 square miles of trees

## Stony Brook campus dining is lacking taste

By Michael Newcomer  
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Dining at Stony Brook is a joke. I know this isn't new information, and it's not just Stony Brook. I've heard many a student complain at other universities that their dining options are limited or just plain gross.

What makes our situation worse is the lack of other dining options off campus. Many universities around the nation are centered in "college towns," with an abundance of bars, club and most importantly, food options found within walking distance of the dorms.

We are, unfortunately, situated at the center of a residential community. The closest options are generally located on 347, which is not a safe or feasible option.

It's sad that many students travel to 7-Eleven for a chicken and cheese taquito or lukewarm pizza just to break the monotony of everyday dining.

What's more, we pay a ridiculous amount of money for crappy food. All resident students have to pay a \$564 fee to Campus Dining and everyone else pays a 4 percent charge for the services they provide us. Fair.

However, what's not fair is paying \$3.64 for a small cup of grapes or more than \$3.50 for a glass of Tazo tea I pay less than \$2.00 for at any convenience store.

As students, we are being taken advantage of. Most students don't have a car on campus and have no other options. Campus Dining knows this.

It was even once pointed out to me that state law says that if a price is printed on a food label (like the 99 cent Arizona teas), it is illegal for a retailer to charge any more for it.

Campus Dining has done it on more than one occasion.

Eating should be enjoyed. Food is one of the few loves in my life, nobody should be forced to eat subpar food at a premium price, especially since we're charged for it to be there in the first place.

Options that are given become boring and repetitive week to week. It's also hard to find options on campus that can be tasty, healthy for the most part, and not greasy. [The pizza at the Union Commons is greasy, and sits outside for hours before being sold.

With Red Mango and a new Starbucks that already opened, it is frustrating that other food options aren't coming to campus. Everything is mass produced on campus and lacks taste.

For the amount the university charges for food, it should do a better job providing decent food.

## What does the Pope's resignation mean?



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**Pope Benedict XVI attends a ceremony to mark the 900th birthday of the Knights of Malta, one of the most peculiar organizations in the world at St. Peter's Basilica.**

By David O'Connor  
Managing Editor

On Feb. 28, Pope Benedict XVI will be the first pope to resign from the position in close to 600 years. His announcement of these intentions has created a firestorm in the media and on the Internet as to who will replace him and what it will mean for the future of the Roman Catholic Church. Several possible candidates have been mentioned, with a number of them not being from Europe. Should a non-European be elected by the 118-member college of cardinals, it would be the first time that the position was held by someone from another continent since Pope Gelasius I from North Africa, who reigned from 492 to 496. The subsequent conquest of Northern Africa and the Middle East by Islamic armies and the split in the church that left a huge portion of Eastern Europe in Orthodox hands has essentially ensured that the position was held by a western European, most often an Italian, for centuries.

But that is no longer a certainty. According to the BBC, Europe accounts for only 24 percent of worldwide Catholics even though they are more than half, 62, of the total cardinals eligible to vote. Instead, close to half of all Catholics live in the Americas with approximately 41 percent living in Latin America. Despite this fact, there are only 19 Latin American cardinals, with 33 from the Americas overall. The growing number of Catholics in Africa is also not yet proportionally reflected in the

College of Cardinals.

Obviously, Catholics do not vote members of the college into office. They are appointed by the Pope after having risen through the ranks. That being said, many people, Catholic or not, are clamoring for the Church to recognize its growing diversity by considering or voting for a Pope who isn't from Europe, which is not an avidly religious—let alone Catholic—continent.

What would a non-European Pope mean for the Papacy and the Catholic Church as a whole? Many Americans posed this same question five years ago when the possibility and realization of a president with of partial African descent came to the table. The enormity of such an event is the same in both cases, but a non-European Pope would very likely leave just as many people disappointed as ecstatic.

To continue with the Obama analogy, many were enthusiastic that the United States had its first partially African American president, but many became disillusioned by subsequent events and the policies of his presidency. Although many African-Americans are certainly happy at the thought that a black person could become president, there exist, without a doubt, conservative African Americans who adamantly oppose Obama because of his policies. The same could be said for all ethnic and racial enclaves of American society.

In the same way, the prospect of a non-European pope would certainly be exciting, but one should not expect a major doctrinal shift from the leaderships of Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI. Both

of these men were commonly viewed as very conservative popes. Whether one sees this as a good or bad thing eventually comes down to one's own religious convictions, but one thing that seems almost certain is that the next Pope will follow his two predecessors in holding tight to the traditions of the Church.

In fact, it may be the case that a non-European Pope might feel compelled to prove his loyalty to Catholic tradition more than a European Pope would. President Obama has faced unrelenting pressure to prove his loyalty to, and in some cases citizenship of, the United States. European-descended presidents on the left from the past have not faced such pressure. The simple fact is that Obama's presence in the White House is a significant break from the rest of American history, and many people strongly rooted in tradition who are uncomfortable with that have tried to attack his legitimacy. In the same way, a non-European Pope is obviously a significant break from tradition in the Roman Catholic Church, so many traditional Catholics will be wary of any other breaks from tradition that the new Pope would seek to make.

Therefore, it is very possible that the next Pope will not be from Europe. However, those hopeful for a more progressive Pope will more likely than not be very disappointed. A huge number of the cardinals able to vote within the next few months have been appointed by Pope Benedict XVI. As a conservative, he would be unlikely to appoint a progressive cardinal himself. The scene appears to be set up for another conservative pope.

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# W-LAX crushes Bucknell 20-5 in opener

By Joe Galotti  
Staff Writer

The Stony Brook women's lacrosse team certainly started their season on the right foot on Saturday, defeating Bucknell on the road by the score of 20-5. Nine different players scored for the Seawolves in the game.

Senior Claire Petersen put up 10 points on day for Stony Brook. She finished with four goals and six assists and tied her own school record for points in a game, which she notched against Vermont and Iona last season. Petersen also moved into seventh all-time at SBU with 111 points in her career, passing Amy Hallion (109) and Samantha Djaha (110).

Senior Demmianne Cooke scored seven goals in the game, falling just two shy of the single-game record she set last season against Monmouth. She ties Petersen and Kaitlin Leggio for second all-time.

Sophomore Amber Kupres also had a hat trick in the game. Senior Janine Hillier had a goal and three assists on eight shots, four of which were on net. Hillier and Kupres also had three groundballs apiece in the game.

In the first ever meeting between the two teams Stony Brook outshot Bucknell, 44-17, and put 30 of them on goal compared to 14 by the home team. This is the most goals

scored and fewest number of goals allowed for the Seawolves in a season opener.

The Seawolves led in ground balls for the game, registering 21 compared to Bucknell's seven. They also only had 11 turnovers on the day, compared to Bucknell's 23.

Senior goalkeeper Frankie Caridi picked up the win in net. She made seven saves and only gave up three goals in 51:10

minutes. Senior goalkeeper Hannah Perruccio made two stops as well in just under nine minutes of play. Stony Brook's defense was strong the entire night, not allowing any of Bucknell's players to have a multi-point game.

Next Wednesday, Stony Brook will be down south to take on No. 3/3 University of Florida. The Seawolves do not play their home opener until Thursday, March 7, against Duquesne.



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Sophomore Amber Kupres scored a hat trick and picked up three ground balls against Bucknell on Saturday.

# Tennis opens spring season against Penn and Lehigh

## Men drop matches in doubles and singles play

Despite valiant efforts from the No. 1 and No. 3 doubles teams, the men's tennis team lost to both Penn and Lehigh this weekend to open the 2013 season.

Both doubles teams lost at Penn, 8-7. The team of freshman Rick Timmerman and sophomore Albert Fontova fought through six consecutive games to try and end Penn's 7-1 lead, but ultimately failed.

The lone Stony Brook win at Lehigh came from senior Robert Forai, who defeated Matt Savran, 6-4, 6-3, in the singles match.

The men will try to make a comeback in two weeks at the Yale 4-Way in Connecticut.

## Women split two with Lehigh

Decisive wins in both singles and doubles helped the women's tennis team beat Lehigh 7-0 this weekend.

The No. 2 doubles team of freshmen Louise Badoche and Jackie Altansarnai and the No. 3 team of sophomore Cassandra Dix and junior Lisa Setyon each defeated their opponents 8-5.

Sophomore Polina Movchan started the match with a No. 2 singles win, and Dix added points with a 6-0, 6-0 win in the No. 4 singles.

Senior Nini Lagvilava sealed the victory for the Seawolves with her 6-1, 7-5 No. 1 singles win.

Although they dropped the season opening match, 4-3, on Friday against Penn, Lagvilava defeated Sol Eskenazi to give the Quakers their first individual-match loss this season.

Movchan and Altansarnai added points with singles wins, but that was not enough to overcome the Quaker squad, who took all three doubles matches.

The women's team will be back in action at Army on Feb. 23, making up a match rescheduled due to the recent blizzard.

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# Women's basketball splits road trip

By Jason Mazza  
Staff Writer

In an all-America East road trip, the Seawolves came away with a split in two 3-point games.

On Wednesday, they beat the Binghamton Bearcats 60-57, and then on Saturday they lost to Vermont 46-43.

Stony Brook was led all week by senior Jessica Previlon, who notched two double-doubles, bringing her to an America East-leading eight double-doubles.

Junior point guard Teasha Harris led all scorers on Wednesday with 14 points, making four out of 10 shot attempts and hitting all four of her free throw attempts.

Junior Chikilra Goodman and Freshman Brittany Snow chipped in 11 points each.

With less than three minutes left in the game, the Seawolves found themselves losing 43-31. Unfortunately, they could only cut that lead to three before the final seconds ticked off the clock.

Stony Brook only shot 25.9

percent from the floor in the game, and only shot 16.7 percent in the first half.

Previlon led Stony Brook with 12 points and 11 rebounds, while Snow added 10 points.

Despite the final score, coach Beth O'Boyle was very happy with her team after the game on Saturday speaking to their resiliency and resolve down the stretch.

The Seawolves will next play the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, at home on Wednesday.

# Softball starts season 1-5 at Jacksonville tournament

By Jaelyn Lattanza  
Staff Writer

The softball team started off the season in Florida from Friday to Sunday finishing the Jacksonville University Tournament with a 1-5 record.

The Seawolves took on No. 17 Louisville in the first game on Friday and were defeated 8-0. Sophomore pitcher Allison Cukrov pitched her 31st career complete game and struck out three batters, but with 14 hits and eight runs, the Cardinal's offense was too strong.

Hannah Kiyohara's two-run homer for Louisville in the top of the second gave the Cardinals wings as they soared through the rest of the game. Stony Brook had three hits the whole game including two singles by junior Nicole Hagerty and one by redshirt-sophomore Nicole Hoyle.

Game two was against Jacksonville. Freshman pitcher Jane Sallen held the Dolphins through the first three innings. Sophomore Shayla Giosia scored Stony Brook's first run of the year with an RBI single up the middle putting senior Gina Bianculli on base in the top of the third.

In the fourth, Jacksonville's Ashley Simon scored a two-run homer which led to four more runs in the fifth and another off of a Seawolves error, making the final score 6-1.

Jacksonville out-hit Stony Brook 9-4. Sallen allowed six runs on eight hits in 4.1 innings and junior

pitcher Christine Lucido pitched 1.2 scoreless frames.

On Saturday, the Seawolves won their first game of the season, 2-1, against Bethune-Cookman.

Lucido started on the mound, tossing six innings, allowing just four hits and one run. The only run that Bethune-Cookman could score was in the bottom of the second when Shamaria Ingram doubled down the left field line to bring in the game's first run.

The turning point in the game for Stony Brook was in the seventh inning. Down to their final two outs and a runner on first, Giosia and Bianculli hit back-to-back singles, which let junior Jessica Crombs send one run in, tying the score. Hagerty finished it off with a double, sending Giosia home and giving Stony Brook the lead.

Cukrov entered the game in the bottom of the seventh and secured the win. The Seawolves had nine hits, a season high including three from Hagerty and two from Giosia.

Later on, the Seawolves faced defeat, 9-1, against Jacksonville for the second time. The Dolphins started the game off strong with two runs by Sarah Simon and Karson Tuck giving them a 2-0 lead in the first. Hagerty scored Stony Brook's only run after an infield hit in the bottom of the frame.

Jacksonville took off, scoring four more runs after leading 5-1 in the

seventh. Cukrov suffered her second loss of the season, giving up 13 hits and eight earned runs.

In the final day of the tournament, Stony Brook marched up with No. 17 Louisville one last time, ending in a Seawolves defeat, 5-0. In a much more competitive game than their first meeting, Louisville only got seven hits, five off of Sallen, and scored in only three innings. Stony Brook had five hits.

The Cardinals scored the game's first run off of an RBI single by Kiyohara in the bottom of the second, before two more runs were scored in the fourth. The score stuck after the fifth when Kayla Soles hit a two-run homer off of Lucido.

The last game of the tournament ended with an 11-4 loss against Ohio State. The Buckeyes scored 11 runs on 18 hits.

Cukrov gave up four runs on nine hits after Sallen took over in the fifth. Ohio State scored six runs in the top of the fifth making the score 10-1. Stony Brook countered with two runs in the bottom and then scored their last off of a wild pitch in the seventh.

Stony Brook did not hit a home run over the weekend, but did record seven doubles.

The Seawolves are looking forward to the Longwood Adidas Spring Classic in Farmville, Va. this weekend where they will take on Longwood and Bucknell twice each.

# Baseball picked to win AE again

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starts with pitching and defense," Senk said. "We feel that as the season goes on, we do a lot of things offensively that allow us to do what we do to win games."

Before the home opener at Joe Nathan Field on March 6,

Stony Brook will travel South to compete in three weekend series.

This past weekend, they traveled to Miami, where they dropped all three games against Florida International University.

After Friday's game was postponed due to rain, the teams played a doubleheader on

Saturday, losing 10-4 and 3-0. Despite a stellar debut from Zamora on Sunday, they again fell to FIU, 1-0.

The winningest team in the nation last June, the Seawolves hope to redeem themselves next weekend when they travel to Chapel Hill, N.C. to play a three-game series against North Carolina.

Despite the losses, by "reloading" and not rebuilding, Senk is confident he has built a squad that can keep up Stony Brook's winning legacy.

"I go into every season optimistic, we definitely have some challenges with losing as many players as we did, but I think we have a good group," he said. "I feel like we can reach our goals and, once we get into tournament play, I think what we've done in the past, that experience will help us."

# M-LAX goes cold in second half

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freshman Matt Schultz's cut it to 10-9, but Marist answered with three straight to end the game.

Four players finished with hat tricks for Marist. Conner Rice, Jack Doherty, Jim Marks and Begley all finished the game with three goals apiece. Rice and Doherty also added three assists apiece as well.

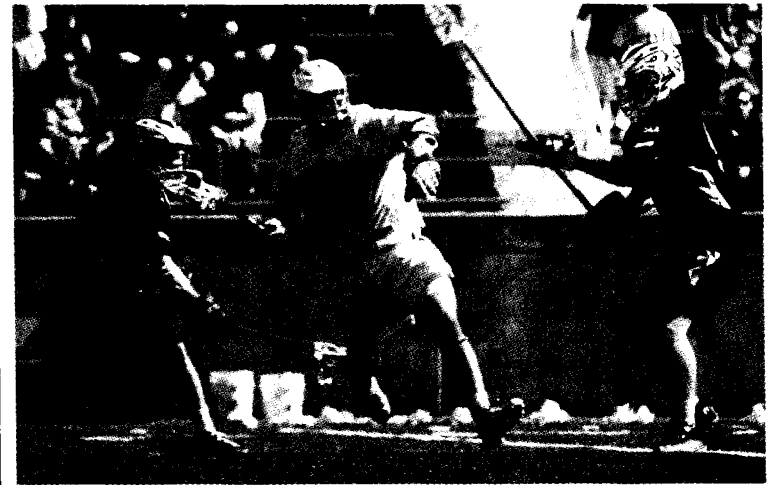
Stony Brook outshot Marist 31-28 for the game, but was outshot 14-11 in the second half. Marist had a total of 31 groundballs in the game compared to 29 by the

game.

Freshman midfielder Frank Lucatuorto was also impressive in his collegiate debut, winning 15 of 24 draws. He tallied a game-high eight ground balls.

Senior Jeff Tundo not only had a hat trick on the day, but also added an assist and five shots on net. He has tallied three points in three straight games now, and four out of this last five going back to last season. Junior Cole Millican also had a career high three assists on the day.

Despite leading the all-time series, 12-4, Stony Brook has dropped two straight games to Marist, including last year's 10-9



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**Jeff Tundo contributed to Stony Brook's offense with three goals and an assist on Saturday against Marist.**

Seawolves.

Despite the loss, the Seawolves can be happy about their strong ball movement in the first half. Six of Stony Brook's eight first-half goals were assisted.

Stony Brook can also take solace in the fact that five of their nine goals came from freshmen. Schultz and Eastwood combined for five goals and 11 shots in the

loss in Stony Brook.

Stony Brook will head to Pennsylvania to face Lafayette this Tuesday. Then on Saturday at noon the Seawolves will play their home opener versus Virginia.

The Seawolves were originally supposed to have their home opener against Fairfield on Feb. 11, but the game was cancelled

# Wrestling has first home meet at Ward Melville High School

By Jason Mazza  
Staff Writer

The Ward Melville high school gymnasium has seen it all now. It has seen the wrestling powerhouses from all over Section 11 and some of the best All American wrestlers of our time. From Piccininni to Picozzi, young and old, Long Island has bred the best in the world of wrestling. But for the first time in a long time Section 11 got to witness Stony Brook Wrestling.

On Saturday, the Seawolves knew it would not be easy facing a Cortland squad that beat them

last year in an exhibition match. "We liked our chances coming in to Saturday, we practice every day and we were hungry," rookie coach Shaun Lally said after the meet. "Our heavy weights came through for us all starting with Matt Frey, after his pin we had all the momentum we needed."

Frey's pin was absolutely critical to the Seawolves. Going into the Ward Melville alumni's match Stony Brook trailed Cortland 19-3 through 165 lbs. In a third period pin at 4:33, Frey defended his home gym and propelled the Seawolves to their first home victory in over a decade.



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**SBU's Frank Modica pinned Cortland's Tyler Cobe.**



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**Coming off of its first appearance in the College World Series, Stony Brook was picked to repeat as AE champs.**

# SPORTS

## Men's Basketball defeats Vermont 65-48

### Rouse key off the bench, SBU now holds two game lead of 1st place

By David O'Connor & Joe Galotti  
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The Stony Brook men's basketball team defeated the University of Vermont Catamounts on Friday evening in front of a sell-out crowd 65-48, cementing its first-place standing in the America East with a conference record of 10-2 and an overall record of 19-6 with four games left in the season.

"Our defense was where we wanted it to be," head coach Steve Pikiell said after the game. "We've got a long way to go here."

Vermont was last year's conference tournament champion, winning the game on Stony Brook's home court. The Catamounts also dealt the Seawolves their first conference loss of the season last month.

"It's always good to get a win against them," senior forward Tommy Brenton said; he totaled 13 points, six assists and six rebounds.

The Catamounts edged ahead of the Seawolves early in the game, but neither team was able to go on a run. Then senior guard Marcus Rouse hit two three-pointers in a row to drive the crowd into a frenzy. Coming off the bench, Rouse scored a game-high 16 points.

"I played such a terrible game against Vermont last time, so I had to redeem myself," he said with a laugh. "I've accepted my role; coach said that I would be instant offense off of the bench."

Overall, the Stony Brook bench scored 26 points, twice as many as Vermont's would.

"Our depth has always been importance to us. Rouse is a key guy coming off it," Pikiell said. "I play 10 guys. When you play defense the way we play defense,

you need 10 guys. It bodes well in the future."

Vermont kept the game close, going on a 6-0 run to reduce its deficit to 20-19. But Stony Brook responded with a 7-0 run of its own. It pushed ahead to have a 35-29 going into the locker room at halftime.

The Seawolves proceeded to clamp down on the Catamounts in the second half, allowing them to score only 19 points for the remainder of the game, or 24.1 percent shooting. By comparison, the Seawolves made half of their shots in the second half.

Making a strong showing in the second half was freshman forward Jameel Warney, who scored 10 of Stony Brook's 30 points in that period.

"You start seeing chances open up, and we did such a good job attacking the rim in the second half," he said, highlighting the fact that other teams putting multiple people to defend him. "Our team is talented enough to score without me having the input. [The defense] have to pick their poison."

After the half, the Seawolves went on an 11-point run to secure for themselves a 55-37 lead. They established a lead that Vermont would be unable to overcome. They were able to coast to another victory with the added blessing of defeating the second-ranked team in the conference.

The Seawolves brought home a victory earlier in the week too with a win against Binghamton 73-47 on Tuesday night.

"We played Stony Brook defense and we rebounded," Pikiell said. "It was a great team effort all the way around."

After taking a 39-26 lead into

halftime, the Seawolves did not give Binghamton any glimmer of hope to start the second half. Stony Brook started the half on a 9-0 run, which included two three-pointers by junior guard Anthony Jackson, and took a commanding 22-point lead. From there, Stony Brook only continued to build upon its lead as it grew to as high as 34 points at one point.

Stony Brook's ball movement was strong all night, and the team did a good job of finding the open man, allowing it to make nine three-pointers on the night, including six in the second half. The Seawolves shot 43.5 percent overall in the game, and held the Bearcats to 29.4 percent from the field.

The Seawolves got contributions from many different players in this game. Junior guard Dave Coley led all scorers with 15 points, nine of which came in the first half. Jackson had 12 points. The Stony Brook backcourt was strong all evening, registering a season-high 19 assists against just 11 turnovers.

Brenton was dominant on the boards all night, grabbing five offensive rebounds and a total of 14 boards overall. His work on the boards was one of the major reasons Stony Brook was able to score 17 second-chance points. Freshman forward Jameel Warney also added nine points and five rebounds.

The Seawolves also got a major spark from their bench in the form of two of their backup guards. Freshman guard Carson Puriefoy once again was able to use his speed and quick passing to break down the Binghamton defense. He finished with 12 points and six assists in just 18 minutes.

"I was trying to attack and get



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**Marcus Rouse goes for a lay-up against Vermont's Clancy Rugg during the first half. Rouse finished with 16 points.**

my teammates involved," Puriefoy said. "They were in the right spots, and I just got them the ball and they converted."

Senior guard Marcus Rouse also gave Stony Brook nine points off three shots made from behind the arc. He is now in ninth place all

time in Stony Brook's Division I career three pointers list.

Stony Brook will next play the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, at home at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 19. It will be the second-to-last home game of the season.

## M-LAX loses season opener to Marist 13-9

By Joe Galotti  
Staff Writer

Three goals apiece from freshman Brody Eastwood and senior Jeff Tundo were not enough as the Stony Brook men's lacrosse team dropped its season opener at Marist 13-9.

The Seawolves jumped out to a 4-0 lead early on, and led 8-5 with 1:58 left in the second quarter. The Seawolves were then held scoreless for the rest of the quarter and most of the third.

Marist took advantage of Stony Brook's offensive struggles in the second half and scored five unanswered goals to take its first lead of the game, 9-8, with 5:12 left in the third. The Red Foxes led 10-8 after a goal by Mike Begley's goal. A goal by

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## After making historic run to College World Series last season, baseball hopes to continue momentum this year

By Catie Curatolo  
Assistant Sports Editor

Expectations are high for the baseball team this season.

The four-time America East champions traveled to the College World Series in Omaha, Neb., last June. Despite being eliminated in just two games, the team's journey garnered the attention of baseball fans across the country, who were charmed by their underdog story.

As this season opens, the Seawolves face a new challenge: with more eyes turned on the program than ever before, there's a pressure to perform.

After losing seven key players to the MLB draft, many are asking if the Seawolves are just a one-hit wonder. To those thinking this might be a "rebuilding" year, head coach Matt Senk says no. "We're looking to win," Senk

said. "For a long time here, I think a part of our winning culture is that we don't look to rebuild, we look to reload and that's kind of been our mindset."

When he realized he might lose his star players to the draft — including All-American juniors Travis Jankowski and William Carmona — Senk says he went out and "aggressively recruited" a new class for the 2013 season.

"We went out and brought in ten new players," he said. "We think they're a talented group and it comes down to how quickly they mature."

The new recruits include lefty pitcher Dan Zamora, who was drafted out of high school from La Puente, Calif. and will be the number three starter, as well as a plethora of other freshmen who will be fighting for spots in the infield left vacant by injuries and Carmona's departure.

It won't be all new faces, however; several key players from last year's team are now sophomores whom Senk is relying on to keep up last season's momentum.

As All-American freshmen last year, sophomores Cole Peragine, Kevin Krause and Steven Goldstein will retain their spots in the starting line-up.

Peragine and Goldstein will remain at shortstop and in the outfield, respectively, but former designated hitter Krause will take over for catcher Pat Cantwell, who graduated and was drafted by the Texas Rangers.

Junior Kevin Courtney played first place for most of last year, and is expected to remain there for the 2013 season.

Tanner Nivins, one of two seniors (the other is righty pitcher G.C. Yerry), has been a starter in the outfield since his freshman

year and is expected to be vital in leading the team.

Senk is planning to rely heavily on his pitchers as well, saying that, while his team is strong offensively, pitching and defense are the areas "where we feel [we] really win games on a consistent basis."

With fourteen pitchers on the roster, there is no shortage of arms in the Seawolves' bullpen.

Junior Brandon McNitt, who saw time in the College World Series last year, giving up just four earned runs against Florida State, will be Senk's number one, followed by fellow junior Frankie Vanderka, who hurled a complete game against LSU in June to send the Seawolves to Omaha.

"It's really kind of just trying to be strong in all areas, but it

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